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Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'Resolve, To Establish a Working Group To Increase Protection for Victims of Domestic Violence'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting the following:

'**Sec. 1 Working group to increase protection for victims of domestic violence. Resolved:** That the Department of Corrections shall convene a working group of interested parties to establish a process to assess dangerousness and more effectively monitor those who commit domestic violence crimes. The working group shall review other states' existing electronic monitoring and offender management programs, determine accurate costs and program management needs and identify possible pilot sites in the State. The department shall submit a report to the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety no later than January 15, 2010 containing the recommendations, including proposed legislation, of the working group. The Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety may submit legislation to the 124th Legislature in 2010 based on the report.'

SUMMARY

This amendment replaces the bill with a resolve that requires the Department of Corrections to convene a working group to develop a process to assess dangerousness and more effectively monitor those who commit domestic violence crimes. The working group shall review other states' existing electronic monitoring and offender management programs, determine accurate costs and program management needs and identify possible pilot sites in the State. The department shall submit a report including the working group's recommendations by January 15, 2010, and the Joint Standing Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety may submit legislation to the 124th Legislature in 2010 based on the report.